



Mission & Significance

Assateague Island National Seashore Mission Statement

Assateague Island National Seashore was established to protect and preserve Assateague Island and its surrounding waters, to provide opportunities for high quality outdoor recreation, and to educate the public about the values and significance of park resources.



Assateague Beach Coast Guard Station Statement of Significance

Assateague Beach Coast Guard Station is a good example of an early to mid-20th century Coast Guard facility located in a protected area such as a bay, cove or sound, unlike earlier stations which are located on ocean beaches. During storms, in answering calls for assistance, it was frequently impossible for the crews of beach stations to launch their surfboats through the roaring breakers, while the Coastguardsmen posted at an inlet station such as Assateague Beach, could take their craft out through the comparatively calmer waters of the cove. DOE, 1984.

